

Proclamation

by

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Governor

of the

Commonwealth of Kentucky



To All To Whom These Presents Shall Come:


- WHEREAS, Diabetes affects 29.1 million people and is a serious disease for which there is no known cure; and
- WHEREAS, Diabetes is a common and growing disease in Kentucky. Approximately one-in-ten Kentuckians have diabetes; and
- WHEREAS, Diabetes is the seventh leading cause of death by disease in the United States; and
- WHEREAS, Approximately one quarter of Americans who have diabetes do not know they have the disease and may experience damage to the heart, eyes, kidneys and limbs without producing any symptoms; and
- WHEREAS, Type 1 diabetes (T1D) is an autoimmune disease in which a person's pancreas stops producing insulin, a hormone that enables people to receive energy from food. While its causes are not yet entirely understood, scientists believe that both genetic factors and environmental triggers are involved; and
- WHEREAS, T1D strikes both children and adults at any age, and comes on suddenly, causing dependence on injected or pumped insulin for life, and carrying the constant threat of devastating complications; and
- WHEREAS, In 2012, the direct and indirect cost of diabetes in Kentucky was approximately \$4.85 billion; and
- WHEREAS, If current trends continue, one-in-three American adults will have diabetes by 2050; and
- WHEREAS, Increasing community awareness can improve the likelihood that people with diabetes will get the attention they need before suffering the devastating complications of the disease;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MATTHEW G. BEVIN, Governor of the Commonwealth of Kentucky, do hereby proclaim the month of November 2016, as

DIABETES AWARENESS MONTH

in Kentucky.

DONE AT THE CAPITOL, in the City of Frankfort the 12th day of October, in the year of Our Lord Two Thousand Sixteen and in the 225th year of the Commonwealth.


MATTHEW G. BEVIN
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